

Commercial.

THIS DAY.

We have not a single transaction to report from the Share Market to-day.

SHARES.
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—Ex New Issue—164 per cent. premium.
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Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$650 per share, buyers.
China Insurance Company—\$2,700 per share, buyers.
North China Insurance—Tis. 1,600 per share, buyers.
Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$120 per share.
Yangtze Insurance Association—Tis. 1075 per share, ex. div. buyers.
Chinese Insurance Company—\$230 per share, ex. div. sellers.
On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tis. 150 per share.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$350 per share, sellers.
China Fire Insurance Company—\$380 per share, sellers.
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—62 per cent. premium, buyers.
Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$48 per share, premium, ex. div. buyers.
China and Manila Steam Ship Company—120 per share.
Hongkong Gas Company—\$80 per share, buyers.
Hongkong Hotel Company—\$175 per share, buyers.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—15 per cent. div. sellers.
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$20 per share, sellers.
Luzon Sugar Refining Company (Debentures)—2 per cent. premium.
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$78 per share, sellers.
Hongkong Ice Company—\$161 per share, buyers.
Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$80 per share, buyers.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1881—14 per cent. prem. ex. int.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1881—2 per cent. prem.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—Bank, T. T. 3/11
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight, 3/7 1/2
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight, 3/8
Credits, at 4 months' sight, 3/8 1/2
Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight, 3/8 1/2 @ 3/8 1/2

ON PARIS.—Bank Bills, on demand 4/6
Credits, at 4 months' sight 4/6 1/2
ON BOMBAY.—Bank, T. T. 22 1/2
ON CALCUTTA.—Bank, T. T. 22 1/2
ON DEMAND.—Bank, T. T. 22 1/2

ON SHANGHAI.—Bank, T. T. 72 1/2
Private, 30 days' sight 73 1/2

IMPORT CARGO.

Per *Yapian*, str., from Calcutta, 1,808 chests Opium, 3,044 bags Saltpetre, 400 bags Gunnies, 394 bales Cotton, 119 bales Yarn, 375 boxes Castor-Oil, and 182 packages Sundries. From Penang—1,456 bags Betelnuts, 10 bales Cloth, and 1,179 packages Sundries. From Singapore—362 packages Miscellaneous Merchandise.

OPIUM MARKET—THIS DAY.

New Malwa.....per picul, \$530
(Allowance, Taels 24.)
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New PATNA (without choice) per chest, \$857 1/2
New PATNA (first choice) per chest, \$893
New PATNA (second choice) per chest, \$885
New PATNA (bottom) per chest, \$897 1/2
Old PATNA (without choice) per chest, \$860
Old PATNA (bottom) per chest, \$865
BENARES (without choice) per chest, \$855
BENARES (bottom) per chest, \$850 1/2
New PERSIAN (best quality) per picul, \$900
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Old PERSIAN (second quality) per picul, \$900

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

THIS DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

BAROMETRIC THERMONE. TER. &c.

Barometer, 59.50 to 59.75
Thermine attached, 81.00 to 81.50
Direction of Wind, S.W. to S.E.
Force, 5 to 10
Dry Thermometer, 80.00 to 80.50
Wet Thermometer, 77.00 to 77.50
Weather, 0.00 to 0.50
Hour's Rain, 0.00 to 0.50
Quantity fallen, 0.00 to 0.50

Barometer, level of the sea in inches, tens and hundredths—Thermometer, in Fahrenheit degrees and tenths kept in the open air in a shaded situation—Direction of Wind, in registered every two points, N., N.E., E., S.E., S., S.W., W., W.N.W., N.W., N., etc.—Force of Wind, in calm, 1 to 3 light breeze, 3 to 5 moderate breeze, 5 to 7 fresh, 7 to 8 strong, 8 to 10 heavy, 10 to 12 violent—State of Weather, B. Clear blue sky, C. Cloudy, D. Drizzle, F. Fog, G. Foggy, H. Hail, L. Light rain, M. Mist, O. Overcast, P. Passing showers, Q. Squally, R. Rain, S. Snow, T. Thunder, U. Unsettled, V. Visibility, W. Storm, Z. Calm.

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A MAIL WILL CLOSE.

For Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, &c., &c.—Per *Fukien*, to-morrow, the 7th instant, at 3.30 p.m.

For Swatow, Amoy, & Foochow.—Per *Kwongkong*, on Wednesday, the 8th instant, at 11.30 a.m.

For Straits and Bombay.—Per *Giling*, on Thursday, the 9th instant, at 3.30 p.m.

For Straits and New York.—Per *Yorkshire*, on Friday, the 10th instant, at 11.30 a.m.

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

MENZALEH, French steamer, 1,273, Blanc, 4th August.—Yokohama 29th July, Mail and General.—Messageries Maritimes.

FOKIEN, British steamer, 561, J. C. Abbott, 4th August.—Tamsui 31st July, Amoy 2nd August, and Swatow 3rd, Tea, &c.—D. Lapraik & Co.

JAPAN, British steamer, 1,865, T. S. Gardner, 5th August.—Calcutta 19th July, Sand Heads 20th, Penang 27th, and Singapore 30th, General.—D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.

GOLCONDE, French steamer, 3,041, Marjono, 5th August.—Marseilles, and Saigon 2nd August, General.—Adamson, Bell & Co.

ACTIV, Danish steamer, 268, N. C. Revebeck, 5th August.—Tours 31st July, and Hoilow 4th August, General.—C. M. S. N. Co.

ALHAI, British steamer, 366, F. D. Goddard, 5th August.—Taiwan 2nd August, Amoy 3rd, and Swatow 4th, General.—D. Lapraik & Co.

HAINAN, British steamer, 281, W. Willis, 5th August.—Haiphong and August, and Hoilow 4th, General.—Afon.

PEKING, British steamer, 954, G. Houermann, 5th August.—Canton 4th August, General.—Siemens & Co.

HWAI-YUEN, Chinese steamer, 984, Wilson, 5th August.—Shanghai 2nd August, General.—C. M. S. N. Co.

JUMBO, Spanish steamer, Fryer, 6th August.—put back.—Order.

CARL RITTER, German bark, 595, C. Mahli, 6th August.—Cardiff 1st March, Coal.—Siemens & Co.

NAM-VIAN, French steamer, 435, A. Garreau, 6th August.—Haiphong 3rd August, and Hoilow 5th, General.—Shing Loong & Co.

ANTON GUNTHER, German bark, 441, F. Steinbrugg, 6th August.—Tours 31st July, Coal.—Melchers & Co.

DEPARTURES.

August 5, *Doretta*, Siamese brig, for Foochow.

August 5, *Amoy*, British steamer, for Shanghai.

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August 5, *Fu-yueh*, Chinese str., for Shanghai.

August 5, *Feronia*, German steamer, for Singapore.

PASSENGERS-ARRIVED.

Per *Yapian*, str., from Calcutta, &c.—Dr. Monteath, Messrs. J. Kon Wight, C. Menzies, and Sergeant L. Oakley, and 500 Chinese on deck.

Per *Albay*, str., from Taiwan, &c.—Mr. Haasloep, and 15 Chinese.

Per *Menzaleh*, str., from Yokohama.—Messrs. Ousouf, Messrs. Rouyer, Albert, and Peyre Jules, for Hongkong. For Marseilles.—Messrs. Harris and Max. Renard.

Per *Fokien*, str., from Tamsui, &c.—Captain and Mrs. Scott, Messrs. Forrest, Beazley, Moses, 1 European on deck, and 39 Chinese.

Per *Hainan*, str., from Haiphong, &c.—Messrs. Mongies and Simon, and 14 Chinese.

Per *Hwai-yuen*, str., from Shanghai.—100 Chinese.

Per *Anton Gunther*, from Tours.—36 Chinese.

Per *Golconde*, str., from Marseilles, &c.—Messrs. Gilder and Baute, and 7 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Feronia*, str., for Singapore.—1 European.

Per *Encyew*, str., for Shanghai.—20 Chinese.

Per *Amoy*, str., for Shanghai.—1 European and 10 Chinese.

Per *Fookang*, str., for Shanghai.—30 Chinese.

Per *Yapian*, str., for Amoy.—150 Chinese.

Per *Kong Beng*, str., for Swatow, &c.—200 Chinese.

Per *Ravenna*, str., for Shanghai.—Bishop Volontir and secretary, and Mrs. Shaw.

Per *Kashgar*, str., for Yokohama.—Miss H. Shimidzu, Captain Brackenbury, Messrs. F. S. C. Hare, E. E. Ravenhill, A. J. Allan, Charles Bunker, A. Sadler, Fie Tong and family, Commander J. G. Jones, R.N., Surgeon McMunn, and 7 Naval invalids.

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SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

STRAMERS.

ARABIC, British steamer, 2787, W. G. Pearce, 28th July.—San Francisco 28th June, and Yokohama 21st July, Mail and General.—O. & S. S. Co.

BALANGAS, Spanish steamer, 116, John Ovieta, 4th July.—Manila 1st July, General.—Remedios & Co.—Kowloon Dock.

CANTON, British steamer, 1,095, J. C. Jaques, 26th July.—San Francisco 27th June, General.—Russell & Co.

CHINKIANG, British steamer, 799, S. M. Orr, 29th July.—Yokohama 19th July, and Nagasaki 24th, Coals.—Siemens & Co.

CHURRUA, Spanish steamer, 403, G. de Hor-macha, 23rd July.—Manila 20th July, General and Treasure (\$313,000).—Remedios & Co.—Kowloon Dock.

CRUSADER, British steamer, 647, Rowin, 28th July.—Saigon 23rd July, General.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

EMUY, Spanish steamer, 410, Rementeria, 30th June.—Manila 27th June, General.—Remedios & Co.—Kowloon Dock.

FAME, British steamer, 117 (Stopani)—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.

FEILUNG, British steamer, 772, W. N. Allison, 31st July.—Amoy 28th July, Ballast.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

GEELONG, British steamer, 1,139, Case, 1st August.—Bombay 14th July, and Singapore, General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

INGO, German steamer, 672, Jesselsen, 10th July.—Singapore 3rd July, General.—Wielor & Co.

JEHGENIA, German steamer, 1,059, F. Ahrens, 4th August.—Canton 3rd August, General.—Siemens & Co.

KWANGTUNG, British steamer, 680, M. Young, 29th July.—Fookow 26th July, Amoy 27th, and Swatow 28th, General.—D. Lapraik & Co.—Kowloon Dock.

LENNOX, British steamer, 1,227, Scott, 4th August.—Calcutta 19th July, Sand Heads 20th, Penang 26th, and Singapore 28th, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

LI YUNG, Annamite steamer, 159, Chum, 10th July.—Tours 15th June, General.—Chinese.

PING-ON, British steamer, 575, A. A. McCaslin, 4th August.—Pakhoi, and Hoilow 3rd August, General.—Russell & Co.

SALTER, French steamer, 323, V. Gondono, 28th July.—Haiphong 24th July, General.—Shing Loong.

SEA GULL, American steamer, 48, Hayden, Nov. 24th.—China Traders' Insurance Co.

SIN TAINAN, German str., 47, H. Vieteen, 30th July.—Taiwan 24th July, Ballast.—Captain.

SUEZ, British steamer, 1,190, Geo. Ainslie, 20th July.—Honolulu 28th June, Flour and General.—Russell & Co.

TAKACIHO MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,407, Nye, 1st August.—Nagasaki 27th July, General.—Mitsui Bishi M. S. S. Co.

SAILING VESSELS.

A. T. SPALKNECHT, German bark, 540, P. Petersen, 1st August.—Gorontalo 17th July, Rattans.—Siemens & Co.

BOTHWELL CASTLE, British bark, 502, Romney, 31st July.—Chefoo, General.—Chinese.

CHANDERNAGOR, German bark, 683, Sachs, 10th June.—Tours 14th June, Coals.—F. Blackhead & Co.

CHANNEL QUEEN, British bark, 600, Le Lacheur, 18th May.—Chefoo 22nd April, General.—Ed. Schellhass & Co.

CHOROUA, American ship, 1,163, Locke, 30th June.—Hioze 3rd May, Ballast.—Master.—Aberdeen Dock.

ELWELL, American ship, 1,461, Barton, 30th June.—Cardiff 15th March, Coals.—Order.

ELLEN, British bark, 409, C. Hodge, 15th July.—Singapore 7th July, Timber.—Gee Aik Hong.

FRIEDRICH, German bark, 676, J. P. Ulderup, 10th June.—Cardiff 27th February, Coals.—Wielor & Co.

GOODELL, American bark, 843, Wm. R. Hogan, 18th July.—New York 30th Jan., Kerosene Oil.—Russell & Co.

GRANDE, American ship, 1,554, Jacobs, 15th July.—Newcastle, N.S.W., 26th May

THE WA HOP TELEGRAPH CABLE.

The following letters relating to the above named important subject, which have been handed to us for publication, will be read with interest not only by the members of the commercial community but by all those who have followed the course of what is allowed on all hands to have been one of the most scandalous "jobs" ever perpetrated—even in Hongkong.—

Hongkong, 28th July, 1883.
HO AMEI, Esq.,
Managing Director,
The Hongkong-Canton Wa Hop
Telegraph Co.

SIR,—I am instructed to inform you that this company has two cables laid in the waters between Hongkong and Kowloon, and land lines from East Hongkong to Queen's Road, and from Kowloon Dock to Chinese frontier, and is willing upon moderate terms to give your company use of both land and sea lines, so that your line may connect with this city.

Yours faithfully,
W. BULLARD,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 29th July, 1883.

The Superintendent,
E. E. A. & China Telegraph Co.,
Hongkong.

SIR,—In reply to your favour of 28th inst. offering to the H.K.C. Wa Hop Telegraph Company to make use of the cable and land lines which your Company has already laid between Hongkong and British Kowloon, I regret to say that as the "Wa Hop" Company has again applied to the Government for permission to lay a cable across the harbour, it is necessary for the Company to wait for a reply, before any arrangements could be entered upon. Should the reply be favorable, the "Wa Hop" Company might be willing to arrange for taking over the Company's cable and land lines in question.

Yours faithfully,
HO AMEI,
Manager.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.]

POSTAL DEFECTS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."
SIR,—I should esteem it a favour if you would allow me to bring to the notice of the Postal Authorities of Hongkong a matter which, although of small importance in itself, is of the utmost importance to those who are visiting or passing through this port.

The subject referred to is the distribution of letters. Should a mail arrive on Sunday, residents in Hongkong obtain their correspondence. Visitors, however, have to wait until the following morning. In case a visitor leaves this port during that interval, a mail which may have been accumulated for some time, may have been received until he has reached London or his Antipodes. On the other hand, should he remain in Hongkong he may not obtain his letters until an outward going mail has left the port, and as a consequence the visitor relatively to the resident is placed at a disadvantage with his correspondence.

Another but still smaller matter, but one affecting the Post Office officials in a degree perhaps greater than the visitor, is the want of some notification indicating the times at which mails are being sorted. Residents are probably acquainted with these times, but visitors being ignorant are unintentionally liable to render themselves obnoxious by successfully beating long tailors on the various sounding board-like doors through which they vainly hope to make some communication.

If the postal authorities could see their way to give some attention to these trivial matters, the floating population passing through Hongkong, which is undoubtedly large, would certainly appreciate the benefit accruing to them.

Trusting that the suggestions embodied in this note may not be regarded as officious.

I have the honor to subscribe myself,

A VISITOR.

Hongkong, August 6th, 1883.

CHEFOO.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

July 28th.
We have to report the departure of a Chinese gunboat to Corea, taking as passenger, Captain F. W. Schulze, who has accepted a foreign position as harbour-master in the office at Seoul. Captain Schulze, having commanded several steamers of the C. N. Company, is well-known for his consummate ability on the bridge as also for his courtesy in the saloon, and we can certainly congratulate Mr. von Mollendorff on having acquired the services of a man of such extensive knowledge and experience. We feel sure that the Kingdom of Korea will soon take a prominent part in the Eastern trade under the good auspices of the above-named gentleman.

During the night of the 26th to 27th inst., a boat of H.M.S. *Chaparral* capsized while trying to cross the bar of a junk. Fortunately no lives were lost, but the occupants, who managed to cling to the boat, were drifting about for nearly three hours before they were picked up by a sampan.

Vigorous exertions are being made to ornament Chefoo with all kinds and shapes of houses; we note that a billiard-room is being built in the Beach Road, and have heard from a trustworthy source that it is going to be fitted out in top style. Certainly, such billiard room no Chefoo hotel can as yet boast of.

The German gunboat *Thies* arrived from Tientsin yesterday. H.B.M. ships-of-war in port are said to be leaving on the 30th inst.—*Mercury*.

JAPAN.

The *Official Gazette* states that a terrible destruction, to the extent of four thousand houses, has been wrought by a fire in Nigata.

Two cases of cholera, both of which terminated fatally, are reported to have occurred in Tokyo on the 19th instant. Whether this be true or false, there does not seem to be much cause for apprehension on the score of cholera this year.

We are glad to be able to state that the cable steamer *Senja* has successfully completed the laying of the duplicate cable between Nagasaki and Yokohama. We understand the electrical condition of the new cable is very satisfactory.

The *Yiji Shinko* states that the Japanese had been preparing to announce the arrival of General Fote, on the 21st instant, at Nagasaki. It is also said that Min Yung-ik, Adviser to the Board of Foreign Commerce in Korea, has arrived at the same place. The purpose of the latter official's journey is not mentioned, but there are rumours that Japan is not his ultimate destination.

Yesterday (July 28th) *Hochi Shimbun* published a report from Sapporo to the effect that a fire had broken out on a mountain where charcoal was manufactured, and that all the charcoal could not be obtained. Great excitement was prevailed for the safety of a neighboring gunpowder magazine, but all possible precautions were being taken to prevent an explosion. The origin of the fire is ascribed to an escaped convict—*Japan Daily Mail*.

NOTES FROM JAPANESE PAPERS.

Another case of cholera is reported to have occurred in Tokyo.

The Naval Department will shortly recommence the survey of the coast.

Six hundred naval recruits are quartered in the Training Establishment at Yokosuka.

A case of cholera is reported to have occurred at Sayeki-cho, Kanda, Tokyo, on the 19th instant.

The posthumous title of First Minister of State has been conferred upon the late Mr. Iwakura.

Three soldiers escaped from the Military prison at Akasaka on the 22nd instant. They are still at large.

The detachment of His Majesty's troops stationed in Korea is expected to return to Kobe from Korea on the 2nd of next month.

Messrs. H. MacArthur & Co., of Yokohama, have, we understand, been appointed contractors for the coke supplied to the Tokyo Arsenal.

Mr. Min Yung-ik, the Korean officer who lately arrived at Nagasaki, is said to have been ordered by the King of Korea to proceed to America on special service.

Two hundred and eighty old pieces of ordnance in the Koamicho godown, Honjo, Tokyo, have been sent to the Osaka Arsenal to be reconstructed according to present methods.

Steps are being taken to construct a tramway in Saga, Ibaraki, to facilitate the transportation of coal from the neighboring mine which is said to extend to several tens of miles.

His Majesty the Mikado has subscribed 10,000 yen towards the expenses of the funeral of H.E. Iwakura. A deputation of citizens from each street will attend the obsequies of the deceased statesman.

We are informed that there are fifty-two establishments in Toyama, where patent medicines are manufactured; and that about fourteen thousand men are employed in different parts of the Empire hawking the nostrums.

An official notice has been issued to the effect that, on account of the death of His Excellency Iwakura, Ex-third Minister of State, His Majesty the Mikado will take no part in public business for three days, and the sentence of death pronounced upon criminals will be suspended during the same time.

Private instructions have been issued by the Government to the Army to the effect that the proposed enlargement of the military organization involves great expense, but that as it is against the will of the Emperor to increase expenditure where not immediately required, great economy must be practised.

The regulations of the *Suikoshu* (Marine Association) a club established by naval officers, have been modified. H.I.H. Prince Arisugawa Takehito has been elected President, and Admiral Kawamura and Rear-Admiral Nakamura, Vice-Presidents. In future, no person other than officers of the Navy will be admitted to membership.

The Korean Government has issued three kinds of silver coins—one, two and three sen, bearing the characters *Dai-ikoku* (Great Empire). One sen is equivalent to 1/100 yen, two sen to 1/50 yen, and three sen to 3/100 yen.

On the new Korean copper coins are embossed the words *Yohai Tsuho* (permanent currency). They are worth 5 mon each.

Official investigation, completed on the 1st inst., shows the number of convicts in the Ishikawajima, Ichigawa, and Kajibashi prisons, in Tokyo to be as follows:—In Ishikawajima, under sentence of transportation (according to new Code), 60; under sentence of penal servitude, 30; imprisonment with hard labour, 600; imprisonment, 5; imprisonment in lieu of fine, 5; penal servitude under the old Code, 1,320; imprisonment, 30, including those convicted of high treason; making a total of 2,079; in Ichigawa, imprisonment with hard labour under the new Code, 806; penal servitude under the old Code, 293; correctional confinement, 24; confinement after the expiration of the term of servitude, 17; under surveillance, 211; making a total of 1,356; in Kajibashi, imprisonment with hard labour under the new Code, 45 males, 63 females; imprisonment in lieu of fine, 3 females; penal servitude under the old Code, 92 males, 25 females; confinement in special cells, 2 males, 35 females; making a total of 255; under detention in the various police stations, 619; prisoners awaiting trial in Kajibashi, 454 males, 29 females.—*Japan Daily Mail*.

TIENTSIN.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

Yours of the 12th inst., is duly to hand; the writer begs space for a few more facts to add to those of the 27th April, 10th and 11th May contained in the *London and China Express* from the *Times* correspondent, and of the 18th May in the *London Globe*, in which it is said "Russia has not gained in point of commercial advantages, &c. &c."

In regard to "some trouble has again arisen on the Russo-Chinese frontier" and on the 11th May that "intelligence received at St. Petersburg, that the Russo-Chinese frontier relations are now of a friendly character,"—this proves the statement that yours of the 12th inst. was correct, but nothing is said about the "scientific frontier" mentioned on the 27th April; nothing is said on the 12th May. Naturally, because no such question was in existence, therefore it could only have been in the imagination of the *Times* correspondent.

In regard to the 18th May, in which it is said that "both the Russian and Chinese Commissioners will complete the work of delineation by the end of June,"—this shows that a continuation is going on of work begun, according to the treaty of Kuldja; it was begun last year and would have been ended, but for the fault of the Chinese, through which only it will be completed at the end of June. As on the 11th so on the 18th May, no mention is made of a scientific frontier, and what is continued requires at least no confirmation, but only confirmation.

In regard to your contemporary's insertion of the 22nd instant from the *London Globe*, in which it says that "Russia has not gained in point of commercial advantages the recompense she promised herself," this Russia has not yet had the full opportunity of putting into practice, because many of the minor points in the Kuldja treaty have not been complied with by the Chinese Government; to mention only the duties on tea, as per article 16; therefore, this remark is unfounded. Nor did Russia need to be "rewarded" by a great moral effort, to restore to the lawful owners. Had China complied with the treaty entered into, none of the difficulties would have occurred in 1881, as known to all; but to the writer in the *London Globe*.

"Nor will she ever gain it, save by the exercise of a superiority which, after all, she may not possess."

To this it can only be replied that if Russia should not gain those commercial advantages from the Kuldja treaty, then she can be classed with Great Britain, which the latter gained from the Chefoo Convention and because Russia, this Great Britain, did not possess the superiority mentioned by the *London Globe*—*Mercury*.

MAILS EXPECTED.

The steamer *Oceanic*, with the next American mail, left Yokohama on Thursday, the 2nd instant, at daylight, and may be expected here on the 11th.

MARINE COURT OF INQUIRY INTO THE LOSS OF THE STEAMSHIP "SPARK."

The court re-assembled this morning at 10.30 and after deliberating for forty minutes delivered the following decision:—

We find that the British steamer *Spark* official number 64,093 of Hongkong, of which Archibald Hugh Brooke Rose was the master, was wrecked on Cape Cami on the evening of the 21st July 1883.

We find that the vessel was lost through the careless navigation of Archibald Hugh Brooke Rose, No. of whose certificate of competency is Hongkong 759.

We find that after the ship was on the rocks, the master made no exertions to see what damage the vessel had sustained; and that he took no steps to preserve discipline, or to assert his authority.

The master admits in his statement that after the ship struck he took no further interest in her. There was no cargo in the ship. We are of opinion that Mr. Jameson, who acted as chief engineer, did not desert the ship.

After a full consideration of the circumstances attending the loss of the ship, we do hereby order that Mr. Archibald Hugh Brooke Rose's certificate of competency, Hongkong No. 759, be suspended for a period of two years from this date. We recommend that Mr. Rose be furnished with a first mate's certificate.

Dated at Hongkong this 6th Day of August, 1883.

(Signed) H. G. THOMSETT, R.N.,
Stipendiary Magistrate.

(Signed) G. W. BALLISTON,
Navigating Lieutenant, R.N.

W. LE LACHEUR, Masters
W. N. ALLISON, Mercantile Marine.

To-day's Advertisements.

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THE Departure of the Steamship

"VENICE,"

Captain Drake, as above, is POSTPONED until TO-DAY, the 6th instant, at FIVE P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd August, 1883. [605]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship

"DIAMANTE,"

Captain Cullen, will be despatched for the above Port, on WEDNESDAY, the 8th instant, at DAYLIGHT. For Freight or Passage, apply to

RUSSELL & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 6th August, 1883. [621]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

THE Company's Steamship

"JORGE JUAN,"

Captain Thebaud, will be despatched for the above Port, on THURSDAY, the 9th instant, at FIVE P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to

RUSSELL & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 6th August, 1883. [622]

UNION LINE.

FOR YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"GALLEY OF LORNE,"

Captain Pomroy, due, on or about the 12th inst., will have immediate despatch for the above Port. For Freight or Passage, apply to

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 6th August, 1883. [625]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"JAPAN,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for Counter-signature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding her discharge or remaining on board after the 12th inst., will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense, and no Fire Insurance will be effected.

Consignees are hereby informed that any claims must be made immediately, as none will be entertained after the 14th instant.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 6th August, 1883. [623]

NOUVELLE COMPAGNIE MARSEILLAISE DE NAVIGATION A VAPEUR.

STEAMSHIP "GOLCONDE,"

MARTINO, COMMANDER.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above named vessel from Marseilles and intermediate Ports, and in connection with the "TAYGETE" from London, and other connecting Steamers are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into Godown B of the Undersigned, Marine Lot No. 12, whence and/or from the wharves or boats delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 14th instant, will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 6th August, 1883. [626]

TO LET.

"STOCKWELL COTTAGE" near to the Kowloon Club, British Kowloon, containing 4 Rooms and Large Centre Room; Servants Room and Out-house; Gardens and Tennis Lawns, &c. Within Three Minutes Walk of the Pier.

For Particulars, apply to

STEPHENS & HOLMES, Solicitors.

Hongkong, 6th August, 1883. [626]

To-day's Advertisements.

ENGINEERS' INSTITUTE.

THE FIRST ANNUAL MEETING (General) of MEMBERS will be held in the HALL of the Institute THIS EVENING, the 6th August, at 8 P.M., for the election of Office Bearers for the coming (Institute) year, &c.

JAMES K. REBBECK,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 28th July, 1883. [587]

SPECIAL NOTICE.

OWING to the NON-ARRIVAL of the S.S. "GLENOCLE" from Singapore, the performance of GILBERT and SULLIVAN'S comic opera

"PATIENCE"

advertised to be given in the

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL,

THIS EVENING,

BY

THE LOYTUS TROUPE,

HAS BEEN UNAVOIDABLY POSTPONED.

The arrival of the Troupe will be immediately announced.

Hongkong, 6th August, 1883. [603]

FOR SALE.

BEST Quality of GOLDEN GATE and WESTERN MILLS FLOUR, lately from San Francisco.

PONGEE SIEK of all kinds.

Apply to

FUNG TANG,

OF HEE CHEONG CHING HONG,

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Hongkong, 6th August, 1883. [624]

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For Particulars, apply to

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Care of Hongkong Telegraph Office.

Hongkong, 6th July, 1883. [533]

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FOR THREE MONTHS.

NO. 2, WESTBOURNE VILLAS.

For Particulars, Apply to

Messrs. DANBY & LEIGH.

Hongkong, 23rd July, 1883. [586]

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(WITH IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.)

FIVE COMMODIOUS and well VENTILATED ROOMS, suitable for OFFICES or a FAMILY DWELLING HOUSE at No. 24, Praya Central, corner of Pottinger Street.

Apply on the Premises

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Hongkong, 1st July, 1883. [527]

TO LET.

THE PREMISES now occupied by us, No. 11, Queen's Road Central.

For further Particulars, apply to Messrs. RUSSELL & Co.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1883. [607]

TO LET.

FURNISHED ROOMS in the Hollywood Road, WITH or WITHOUT BOARD.

Private Family.

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M. A., Office of this paper.

Hongkong, 7th July, 1883. [537]

TO LET.

NO. 7, SEYMOUR TERRACE.

6, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, lately occupied by PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

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DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, 25th July, 1883. [7]

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Hongkong, 23rd January, 1882. [5]

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THE DISPENSARY, FOCHOW.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, AUGUST 6, 1883.

A TRUTH saying was never uttered than ROBERT BURN'S "man's inhumanity to man makes countless thousands mourn." On Saturday night a gentleman living in the Temperance Hall was suddenly seized with violent internal pains accompanied by severe diarrhoea and other indications of what was supposed to be the first stage of cholera. A doctor was sent for post haste—we mention no names but the gentleman whose professional aid was solicited, is one of the moving spirits in the recent extraordinary medical monopoly campaign. The doctor was fortunately at home; but after hearing particulars of the case where his services were so urgently required, he declined to act in the matter as he did not care to go out in such rainy weather. This was a most unlooked for rebuff to the good Samaritans who were striving to obtain medical assistance for a fellow creature whom they supposed to be suffering from a most dangerous illness; however, by good luck another medical practitioner lives in the same vicinity—by a merciful dispensation of an all-wise Providence we have more "doctors" than one in Hongkong—and on the off-chance that he might not be turned aside from his duty in the cause of our common humanity by a few drops of rain, the door bell was rung, the circumstances explained and his aid solicited. This medical practitioner happens also to be a man; he looks of a delicate constitution and has not, we hear, been in very strong health; but a fellow creature's life was presumed to be at stake and he never even hesitated. It was raining hard; but where duty had to be done and the interests of suffering humanity considered, a few rain drops more or less could make but very little difference. And accordingly he at once accompanied his visitors to the Temperance Hall. The patient was in terrible pain, but by the unremitting attentions of the doctor his sufferings were quickly relieved; his ailment was not of a permanently serious character, in a few hours all danger was over, and on Sunday he had entirely recovered.

This is a homely story, and we are assured it is true in every respect. We have studiously avoided making any personal references to the gentleman who, we think, so ignobly failed to carry out the traditions of his order. As a celebrated physician once aptly expressed it—a doctor should be always ready to do his best for any sufferer, no matter what his station in life might be. And it should never be forgotten that he who does his best, however little, is always to be distinguished from him who does nothing. Of the doctor who did his duty, nothing need be said. The consciousness of duty performed is of far more value to a high-principled mind than mere words of vain laudation.

TELEGRAMS.

LONDON, August 3rd.

THE GOODWOOD CUP.

Mr. J. Johnstone's ch. c. Border Minstrel, by Tyndale out of Glee, 3 yrs. 7st. 5lb. (C. Bowman).
Sir F. Johnstone's b.m. Corrie Roy, by Galop out of Corrie, 5 yrs. 9st. 4lb. (C. Wood).
Lord Falmouth's br. f. Dutch Oven, by Dutch Skater out of Cantilene, 4 yrs. 9st. (F. Archer).

THE BRITISH TROOPS IN EGYPT.

The Premier in reply to a question in the House of Commons said that he declined to undertake to consult Parliament before the withdrawal from Egypt.

THE EGYPTIAN QUARANTINE AND MAIL ARRANGEMENTS.

Owing to the strict quarantine established, the British Government has suspended the conveyance of the Mails by the Egyptian railway, but has sanctioned their transport by the

Suez Canal. Passengers eastward from Venice and Brindisi will join the London trunk services at Port Said. The Continental passengers for Bombay can leave Venice and Brindisi fortnightly by direct steamers. Suez Canal and will not touch Egypt. A strict quarantine is declared upon homeward steamers at all ports in France and Italy. The Peninsular and Oriental Navigation Company has therefore decided to accelerate speed homeward via Plymouth, packets and passengers thereon avoiding quarantine.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE courier line between Amoy and Foochow was withdrawn on the 1st inst.

H.M.S. Foxhound called in at Amoy for coals on the 29th ult. and proceeded to Shanghai the same day.

A REGULAR LODGE of United Service, No. 1341, will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, on Wednesday evening next, the 8th instant, at 7.30 for 8 o'clock precisely.

THE steamers *Takachio Maru* and *Arabia* undocked this morning at Kowloon and Samshui-po respectively. The *Canton* went into Kowloon Dock this morning, and the Spanish steamer *Matangas* is expected to undock there early to-morrow.

A LETTER from Swatow dated the 25th ult. states that no cases of cholera either amongst foreigners or Chinese had been heard of since the previous Sunday. The weather was exceptionally cool with a good breeze blowing, so it was hoped that the disease had disappeared for the season.

A NATIVE Japanese paper, the *Hochi Shimun*, states that a sea monster was lately caught at Honmoku, Yohama. It is a large fish, with the head of a monkey and face of a man. Its body is covered with short, black hair. The reporter of the *Hochi Shimun* might safely be trusted to discount old *Ananias*, and then "win in a walk."

THE Swatow correspondent of the *Amoy Gazette*, writing on July 27th says:—"It appears that the *Countess of Errol* which left your port a few days ago is wrecked on the Joachim bank between Pagoda and Double Island, near the former. On the 25th when blowing and raining very hard the Captain took Pagoda for Sugar Loaf on account of the misty atmosphere. As soon as he learnt his mistake he let go both his anchors, but the weather being so bad, he was compelled to slip them and tried to beat out again, and was driven on the bank where she now lies, with the seas making a clean breach over her. The Captain and crew came in by a fishing junk. We hear that the vessel has since been safely floated, although no reliable particulars are yet to hand."

WONG AYAU, a confirmed "bad hat" who commenced his little capers in 1874, was brought before Mr. Wodehouse this morning on a charge of stealing a jacket, and committed for trial at the next criminal sessions. Mr. Ayau has been convicted no less than eight times; was four times committed for trial at the Supreme Court and has been deported from the colony. His sentences have ranged from three months in the "Sanctum" to three years' penal servitude, and his grasping clutches were laid violently on a police uniform in 1880, while he was undergoing a "term," by means of which he made his escape from durance vile. It is to be hoped the gallant Ayau will be served out with such a teaser this trip as will keep him out of the "black books" for some time to come.

THE *Express de Lyons* gives the following version of the Treaty proposed by M. Bourke and Li Hung-chang:

"The Chinese troops shall evacuate the provinces which they occupy in Tonquin and return to their cantonments in Yunnan and Lower China, the limits of which they shall not in any case or under any pretext pass by more than 100 miles."
"Mr. Bourke shall transmit to the Chinese Emperor a declaration of the limits of the Chinese Empire, in which it shall be declared that France will not pursue in Tonquin any idea of conquest, and that she will not attempt any enterprise against the water frontier of the Red River."
"France shall be obliged to open across Tonquin a route by way of the Red River to the sea."

The town of Lothal, being considered the terminus of the navigable waters of the Red River, will be recognized as a port of call for the Chinese Customs. Chinese Customs Houses shall be established there, and foreign goods destined for importation into China shall be subjected, after they have passed the barrier of Lothal, to the ordinary rules which obtain in the case of merchandise coming into the Chinese Empire by the open ports. The Chinese Government pledges itself to adopt all measures necessary to ensure the security of the import and export trade at Lothal.

The Governments of France and China shall mutually agree for the tracing of a line of demarcation across the country comprised between the frontiers of the Chinese Empire and the left bank of the Red River.

One of the constant themes of conversation in this colony is the shady character of many of the transactions of our local Stock Exchange. Almost every month the reckless and unscrupulous manner in which "jobbers" without capital attempt to defy the devolving elements—that is a metaphor for what the American term "a ring"—and come to hopeless grief, frequently leaving legitimate operators in the lurch, has become little short of a public scandal. And the Government will do nothing to place stock exchange business on a reliable and satisfactory basis. In Japan the authorities appear to be wide awake to any illegitimate stock-jobbing. The following paragraph, translated from a vernacular paper by the *Japan Mail*, will give our "time" speculators a hint of what glorious times they would have in the *Land of the Rising Sun*—The trial of more than two hundred and sixty stock-brokers in Osaka, who were some time ago arrested on charges of illegal transactions, took place on the 16th instant. They were sentenced to fines varying from three to a hundred yen, while some of the functionaries of the Stock Exchange were condemned to fines of from yen 150 to yen 1,450, for infringing the regulations and ignoring the secret sale of silver. Baba, secretary to the institution, has been sentenced to two years imprisonment with hard labour and to a fine of ten yen, for embezzling yen 3,500.

A "ROSE" is the latest French slang for a very young matron.

MR. J. H. STEWART-LOCKHART will temporarily succeed Mr. A. Seth as Clerk of Councils.

It is asserted that Protestantism is advancing in France with rapidity, and Rationalism is beginning to die out.

JOHN BRIGHT advocates a redistribution of seats in the British House of Commons, an extension of the franchise and increased freedom of trade.

THE famous "Cock" inn in Fleet street, whose "plump head waiter" Tennyson immortalized by means of Will Waterprof's monologue, has been sold and is to be torn down.

A MEDICAL paper states that ten tons of linseed meal are used annually for poultices in one of the largest London hospitals, and the yearly bill for lint amounts to over \$2,000.

WE are informed by the Agents, Messrs. Russell & Co., that the Union Line Steamer *Galley of Lorne* left Singapore for this port this afternoon, and may be expected to arrive here on the 12th inst.

THE Isthmus of Corinth Canal Company expect to use 2,500,000 pounds of dynamite in prosecuting their work, which will probably take four years. The entire cost is estimated at \$5,500,000.

EMPEROR WILLIAM'S favorite hat is twenty-five years old—and grey. It is a great privilege to be an Emperor and wear a hat so old and so comfortable as that must be, without incurring the risk of being cut by your friends.

A NEWSPAPER paragraph complimented a gallant soldier on his valour, and styled him a "battle-scarred veteran." Instead of "battle-scarred," and having been informed of the circumstance and asked for an apology, it made matters all the worse by styling the hero "battle-scarred."

"No, papa. I do not wish to marry yet. What I want is a man who does not drink, smoke, go out at night, gamble, bet, over-eat, &c. In short a man with no vices, and one who is always good." "My daughter," said Mr. Dusenbury, "you are but a stranger here, heaven is your home."

THE small steamer *Jumbo*, which left for Manila on the 31st ult., returned to the harbour at midnight on Saturday, having encountered severe weather outside which caused considerable damage, and necessitated her return for repairs. After lying at anchor in Deep Bay for several days she managed to get into Hongkong, and is now alongside the Victoria Foundry, Wanchai.

MR. NO PUN, of no fixed abode, was found in possession of gimlets, picklocks, skeleton keys, stupefying joss sticks and joss powder, a dangerous looking clasp knife and sundry other odds and ends, and was asked to explain himself with relation to these articles of trade. After a brief consideration of the matter, his Worship came to the conclusion that he would leave Mr. Pun to be dealt with by a higher authority, and accordingly committed him for trial.

BILL JONES and Zeke Solomon (otherwise *Enial* as the clerk gave it), of the order, species and genus "beachcomber" were relegated to a six and a four weeks' spell respectively to that abode where many unwillingly enter, and wherein "combing" oakum instead of the "beach" is the order of the day. The former of the two prisoners now in "Her Majesty's keeping" is a deserter from the American ship *Bills of Oregon*, departed, and has already experienced the joys and sorrows of "In the prison, cell I sit." The second defendant has been "on the beach" for over a month.

In another column will be found acopy of a letter from Mr. Bullard, the local superintendent of the Eastern Extension, Australasia and China Telegraph Co. to Mr. Ho Amel, the managing director of the Hongkong-Canton Wa Hop Co., in which the latter is offered the use of the first named Company's cables between Kowloon and Hongkong and the land lines from Whitfield Station to Queen's Road, and from Kowloon Dock to the Chinese frontier on moderate terms; also Mr. Ho Amel's reply, declining the offer on the ground that he has again applied to the Government for permission to lay their own cable across the harbour, and therefore cannot enter into any arrangements at present. Mr. Ho Amel reaches the height of cutting sarcasm when he says that if the reply of the Government is favorable to his application "the Wa Hop Company might be willing to take over" the cables and land lines in question. Considering the relations which have existed between the rival companies, we think that Mr. Bullard's offer is a safe indication of coming events which cast their shadows before.

ON Saturday night at 8.30 a heavy wall overlooking numerous houses tenanted by Chinese, and part of the land known as Sow Wah Fong, at the east of St. Francis' Chapel at Wanchai, slipped and fell out, burying four Chinese houses. Seven Chinese were buried amongst the rubbish and were rescued by Inspector Rae and Mr. C. Bond, who were attracted to the spot by the yelling of the Chinese who lived in the vicinity. The accident was caused by the heavy rains we have lately had playing havoc with the rotten foundations of these wretchedlyrickety shanties. Several of the houses in St. Francis' Lane are in a very precarious condition and badly wanting a repair. It is somewhat wonderful that no loss of life took place when the buildings came down by the run, and it was also very lucky that such energetic members of the community as Inspector Rae and Mr. Bond were on the spot to extricate the unfortunate from what otherwise would have been a horrible death.

THE provisional appointment of Mr. Arathoon Seth, to be Superintendent of the Opium Revenue is gazetted.

AT the sale of the Blenheim enamels, the famous worktable of *Memo-Ambroisette* was bought in, no one caring to bid the reserve price, £6,000.

THERE were, on January 1st, 1883, in the Household Cavalry 698 men over six feet in height, in the Foot Guards 508, in the Infantry 459, in the Artillery 406, and in the Cavalry of the Line 182.

THE oldest printed ballad in the English language was lately acquired for the British Museum. It is a contemporary record of the battle of Floddon Field, printed by one of the earliest typographers.

WE read in Saturday's *Governor Gazette* that "the Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint James Haldane Stewart-Lockhart, Esquire, to be Assistant Colonial Secretary and Auditor-General of Hongkong."

THE largest diamond in the world is the famous one in possession of the King of Portugal, which weighs in the rough 1,680 grains; and should be worth, it is said, according to the ordinary rules of computing the value of such stones, \$28,000,000. It came from Brazil.

JOHN McMILLAN, an unemployed seaman, faced his Worship this morning on a charge of being drunk and incapable in the streets. The "tar" expressed regret for having caused any trouble and told the magistrate that if let off this time he would be able to get a ship and get away from the colony. The touching appeal had its effect and "Jack" was discharged.

As will be seen from a notice in our advertising columns the performance of "Patience," announced to take place at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, by the Loftus Troupe, this evening, has, owing to the non-arrival of the steamer conveying the members of the Company from Singapore, been unavoidably postponed. We shall doubtless be able to give particulars of the performance in our next issue.

NOTWITHSTANDING the eminently satisfactory results obtained by the Government since they took the management of the Opium Farm into their own hands, it is notified in Saturday's *Gazette* that "tenders for the privilege of preparing and selling prepared opium within the Colony for the term of one, two, or three years from the 1st March, 1884, under the provisions of the various Opium Ordinances of the Colony, will be received at the Colonial Secretary's office until noon on Thursday, the 18th October, 1883."

WE hear from Macao that a well-known Hongkong celebrity had a most satisfactory wrestle with "the tiger" on Saturday and an equally remunerative bout yesterday. Playing a dash, albeit a cautious, game, the fortunate hero of the hour scouted in close upon three thousand dollars from the coffers of the fan-tan monopolists, and after once getting the coin had the good sense to keep it. It is so seldom the "King of Macao" gets the worst of these transactions that our townsman's surprising success deserves to be chronicled as an interesting item of news.

WE have repeatedly referred to the Causeway Bay Breakwater as a monument of official incapacity. All those who have the slightest doubt as to the truth of our observation are respectfully invited to go out and have a look at the place after the recent heavy rain. Last night there was scarcely any water inside the "white elephant" and scores of sampans and other craft were stuck in a waste of mud. It is absolutely necessary to reclaim Causeway Bay to remove all evidence of this most disgraceful piece of professional bungling. We will cheerfully pay ricksha hire for all respectable citizens who care to run eastward to inspect this choice specimen of the handiwork of "the glory and ornament of Hongkong."

CHUN AVAN, diver; Ip Muk Leong, boatman, and Li Ahol, a coolie, were charged before Captain Thomsett this morning with the larceny of \$70 from Chan Tai Wah, a boatman. The complainant said he was standing in the street with ten Mexicans in his hands when the second defendant came and struck him, causing the dollars to fly about, while the first and third defendants "picked the money up and bolted with it. He called out "thieves" and two constables arrested the trio. Two constables corroborated the above statement. The defendants pleaded innocence of all connection with the case, and the first defendant admitted five previous convictions. His Worship sentenced the two leading members to six months' hard labor, and the third to a fortnight's solitary confinement, and further ordered him to be served out with 12 strokes on the breech with a rattan at the expiration of his term, he being under sixteen years of age.

PROFESSOR Pickering examines mathematically in *Science* the facts about the evolution of the trotting horse recently given by Mr. Brewer in *The American Journal of Science*, and arrives at some curious results. Mr. Pickering finds that the speed of the trotting horse has increased at a nearly uniform rate of 4-1/3 seconds per mile in ten years, and that, at this rate, in the year 1907 a horse will trot a mile in two minutes, and in 2045 in one minute. This improvement cannot, however, go on indefinitely, and to Mr. Pickering thinks that the convex curve which he now finds to represent with tolerable fairness the improvement in the horse's speed will soon become a straight line, when the speed will remain stationary, and may even be converted into a concave curve, with a corresponding falling off in the horse's development. Another point which has struck Mr. Pickering in his examination of Mr. Brewer's tables is the rapid increase in the number of trotting horses—an increase which, if continued at the present rate, will, in the year 1900, supply the country with 10,000 trotting horses that can travel a mile in 2-3/4 or less.

AN American contemporary relates how an enthusiastic but youthful antiquarian purchased a piece of Chinese ivory, apparently of historical value, for \$40 cash. The cabalistic characters upon the face being interpreted, read: "No money, no wai-chee."

OF late years the employment of women as clerks has greatly increased in England as well as in France, and in both countries it is generally agreed that the system works satisfactorily. The Bank of France employs 160 female clerks, who receive 60 cents a day to begin with, and after a year or two an annual salary of \$300. They sit in rooms apart from the men, are superintended by officials of their own sex, and their work is of the best quality.

YONG AKUN, a cook, faced Mr. Wodehouse this morning on a charge of stealing from a planter his "gingham" valued at 70 cents. Tsau Apo, stated that he arrived from Singapore last Saturday and was taking a view of the town on the Praya. He had his umbrella under his arm when the defendant snatched it from him. The defendant coolly told the Magistrate that he snatched the "gamp" by accident as he was running after a dollar which dropped from his pocket. His Worship relegated the culinary artist to the "House" for a six weeks' spell of shot drill and oakum picking.

AS Robert O'Dare, a coppersmith employed on board the U.S.S. *Palos*, was on a visit to a friend, who lives in the vicinity of Aberdeen Docks, on Saturday evening last, he missed his footing while crossing the docks and was precipitated to the bottom. Aid was fortunately at hand to pick the man up, as he had his right thigh bone completely shattered, his teeth knocked out and his lower jaw and right side of his face severely injured. The fall was about 20 feet. The unfortunate man was immediately conveyed to the Civil Hospital and at once attended to by Dr. Marques. O'Dare, who is a stout built well-made man, appeared to suffer great pain, his face being considerably lacerated, and it is only with difficulty that he can speak. From what we can gather, the man's injuries are not expected to prove fatal.

OLD Commodore Vanderbilt was not the kind of a man one would pick out for Superintendent of a Sunday School, and yet he was free from the most conspicuous faults of his son William. He made no pretension of aristocratic exclusiveness, as the following little story, which is now going the rounds, will show: At Saratoga, on one occasion, when sitting on the piazza of a hotel, a somewhat overdressed lady approached and claimed his acquaintance. The commodore rose and talked affably with her, while his wife and daughter sniffed the air with scorn. "Father," said the young lady, as the commodore resumed his seat, "didn't you remember that vulgar Mrs. B. as the woman who used to sell poultry to us at home?" "Certainly," responded the old gentleman, loud enough to be overheard, and I remember your mother when she used to sell root beer at three cents a glass over in Jersey, when I went up there from Staten Island peddling oysters out of my boat." And this is all there is of the Vanderbilt aristocracy. It used to be the remark of the old Commodore that "William always was a fool," and he comprehended his son at an earlier period than did anybody else.

THE Glasgow *Times* tells a good story of a Glasgow boy who had been summoned as a witness in a case before the Municipal Court. His mother took great pains in instructing him as to his behavior, and was particularly solicitous as to his doing at once, without a moment's hesitation, whatever he might be asked to. The hour of trial arrived, and Jack, in his "Sunday clothes," set out for Court in high spirits. He had not been gone long when he returned, sobbing bitterly. The following colloquy ensued: "What's wrang wi' yo' ladde?" "Nae muckle," "Ay, but what's wrang wi' ye?" "Nae muckle, I tell ye." At length his mother succeeded in eliciting the truth. "Weell, they tuk me into a big room wi' a chiel wi' white-pow [head] sitting in his lane, an' a lot o' mair chieles sitting below him, an' the chiel wi' the white-pow [head] asked me name. An' I tellt him 'Jock MacNab.' An' he tellt me, 'Jock MacNab, haud up your han' an' swear.' An' I put up me han' and said, 'By your een, sir, an' then they put me out.'"

A CHICAGO firm, says the *Morning Call*, has failed in its attempt to make the public pay an excessive price for land, and its liabilities are estimated at \$6,000,000. About \$4,000,000 is due to the banks of Chicago, which are supposed to hold land as security. The firm seems to have had a little money, and some credit, and by the free use of these possessions to have got into debt a couple of millions. The head of the firm is said to have been a hold operator, and it may now occur to its creditors that he was bolder with their money than the would have been with his own. In some respects the form of "gambling" known as speculation is worse than the forbidden games at card. In the former, the bettor loses other people's money, while in the latter they lose their own. There is no credit in card-playing. The bettor may have stolen his money, but he must at least be in possession of it. In betting on the future price of any property, whether wheat, large railroads, coal, or mining stocks, credit is freely used. The only remedy for this practice of gambling with other people's money is a rigid adherence to the gold standard system. A speculating firm with here and there an exception, had no basis for credit. If the business public does not know the extent of such a firm's operations, and consequently cannot know the extent of its possible losses, a small capital may be exhausted without the fact becoming known to even the best informed business men. The welfare of the public will be at least be jeopardized by restricting the operation of speculating firms to a cash basis.

(BY OUR "WAR SPECIAL").
Haiphong, 3rd August, 1883.
There is no much doing in Tonquin now that every one is doing nothing. The war is over, and the French troops are constantly arriving and more are expected. The French troops have been busily catching Hanoi and Nam-dinh. At the former place "war correspondents," including the "Ananias" special, have discarded the pen for the more congenial "straw" wherewith to sip their claret punches.

The troops at Nam-dinh number 15,000; at Haiphong there are but 400 on shore, and at Hanoi there are two relays of from three to four thousand each.

General Bouet and Commisair Armand have gone to Hanoi after having been "snaft" with the newly arrived Admiral. Negotiations with an Annamite Embassy, which was at Hanoi, have ended in "smoke," and war, to commence next month it is said is now said to be inevitable. The Nam-dinh affair, as so graphically enlarged and exaggerated by your voice from the depths of the night contemporary, was neither more nor less than a soldier's broil with the natives over a few market purchases. There is absolutely nothing stirring.

SHANGHAI.

We hear on good authority that the C.M.S.N. Co's Old Ningpo Wharf has been sold for Tls. 350,000. We are informed that it is likely a number of residents of Newchwang, of the pilot persuasion, will spend next winter in the port of Seoul, instead of being frozen "up for four solid months in the gulf of Liautung."

Chang Yang Hsing, a district near Ichang, has lately been inundated, and the district magistrate Kung had a narrow escape from being drowned. The water is diminishing at present. However, several hundred lives have been lost. Many people in the place are homeless and have nothing to eat, but leaves and bark of trees.

We hear that numerous physicians are arriving at Chefoo already to spend the hot season. We note among other visitors of distinction the arrival of Mrs. von Mollendorff, the wife of Herr P. C. von Mollendorff in Korea, at the Beach Hotel, which latter has considerably been improved by the present proprietor. The bathing is very enjoyable.

At the last meeting of the St. Luke's Hospital a vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Li Chuping and his native friends for their handsome donations to the funds of the institution. Mr. Li Chuping is a good specimen of the Chinese gentleman. He is well known in the Settlement on account of his long and successful career, and his many acts of charity. He is the comrade of the eminent legal firm in the Foochow Road.

We note that the *San-Ning*, which left for Corea on Monday, took a large quantity of lead and spelter.

H.E. Chang Shu-Sheng, who has officiated as Acting Viceroys of Chihli during H.E. Li Hung-chang's retirement, will leave Tientsin in the C.M.S.N. Co's s.s. *Haian* for Shanghai. He will take up his residence at the Canton Guild.

On Saturday, calmed human bones were found among the ruins of the tea shop at the corner of the Honan and Canton Roads, where the fire broke out on Thursday last. The remains appear to be those of a Ningpo man who was employed in the tea-shop as a water cooler, and who has been missing since the morning of the fire.

The five soldiers who were arrested on the night of the 16th inst., for creating a disturbance at the East Gate of the City, were remanded by the Magistrate of the French Mixed Court to be disposed of by the Cheikien. Whilst they were being conducted to the City under escort, on nearing the New North Gate Bridge, they were ordered to march in file, and to sing a song, and to effect their escape. The runners who were in charge of them, immediately gave chase and succeeded in capturing one but the others are still wanted.

A telegram was received from Peking yesterday, to the effect that Tong Choon, Fantai of Yunnan, has been promoted to be Governor of that province; also that Lu Shang-yaw, ex-Viceroy of Yunnan, and Kwai-chow, and Ton Soey-lan, ex-Governor of Yunnan, have both been degraded three steps of rank and sentenced never to be restored, as a punishment for rendering a false statement of provincial expenditure. Chun Yung, the present Viceroy, has been temporarily degraded, but is expected to remain at his post in the hope that by future improved administration he may merit restoration.

A host of royalties, to the number of several hundreds, is reported to have established its headquarters at Tsau-yang-hien, near Hankow, and to have taken possession of several ancient temples and other buildings. As soon as the inhabitants of the village discovered these proceedings they reported the same to the District Magistrate, and the latter called out the military, and took immediate steps for the arrest of the offenders, but without success; as the soldiers were able to reach their hiding places. The City Magistrate of Chiu-chow ordered the gates to be closed, and a strict search to be made, but no signs of the rebels were discovered.

The dues on cargo boats, illegally levied by the Custom House authorities at the end of last year, are to be abandoned within the limits of the port of Shanghai. The dues were paid under protest by the Shanghai Cargo Boat Company, and by the Co-operative Cargo Boat Company, pending decision of the representatives of the Foreign Ministers to the Treaty of Commerce, and the Tsung-Yi-Yuan having decided to abandon the claim to levy these dues, cargo boats, the claim to which has been paid under protest is to be abandoned.

We pointed out the illegality of the tax at the time of its inception, and predicted that if the Foreign Ministers were firm on the subject of treaty rights, the Chinese authorities would be compelled to yield, as we are pleased to find they have done. The *Shanghai Evening News* of yesterday (July 31st) states that a telegram was received yesterday by the local official, saying that the Imperial Edict had been issued on the 29th day of the full moon (the 31st July) constituting His Excellency Li (the 31st July) to resume his duties as Viceroy of Chihli. The Edict was issued in reply to the local application by His Excellency to be allowed to continue in office, for his mother and he were separated from remaining his former duties. The Edict of the Emperor, however, was not issued until the 29th day of the full moon (the 31st July) constituting His Excellency Li (the 31st July) to resume his duties as Viceroy of Chihli. 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INTIMATION.

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Address.—Messrs. KILBY & WALSH,
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Hongkong, 1st March, 1883. [108]

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

VALUABLE PROPERTY IN BONHAM STRAND.

TO BE SOLD by Public Auction, by Mr. J. M. GUEDES, on

THURSDAY,

the 16th day of August, 1883, at 3 P.M., on the Premises.

By Order of the MORTGAGEES.

1st Lot.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND Registered in the Land Office as Section A of Remaining Portion of MARINE LOT No. 83, measuring on the North and South 29 feet, on the East 48 feet, and on the West side 43 feet, and Portion No. 1 of Sub-section of Section E of Marine Lot 83, measuring North and South 29 feet and East and West 52 feet. Held for 999 years from 18th November, 1854. Together with the well Built and Substantial HOUSES known as Nos. 50 and 52, Bonham Strand West.

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For Further Particulars and Conditions of Sale, apply to

SHARP, TOLLER, & JOHNSON,
Solicitors for the Mortgagees,

or to

J. M. GUEDES,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 3rd August, 1883. [615]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

VALUABLE PROPERTY IN VICTORIA.

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, ON

FRIDAY,

the 17th day of August, 1883, at THREE P.M., on the Premises.

By ORDER of the MORTGAGEES.

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THE Undersigned has received instructions from Messrs. BUN HIN CHAN, to Sell by Public Auction, on

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THE WRECK OF THE LATE

STEAMSHIP "CARISBROOKE"

as she now lies off the Cosmopolitan Dock.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on the fall of the hammer and the Vessel to be at the Purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

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SAYLE & CO.

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SAYLE & CO.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 6th August, 1883.

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MARINE HOUSE, QUEEN'S ROAD.

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White and Black Silk Trimming Lace.	Silver Filigree Pendant, St. John's Cross & Crown.
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" Silk Circular and Square D'oyleys.	" Fancy Pendant.
" and Black Silk Filigree.	" Plain Chain Necklet.
" Silk Parasol Cover.	" Fancy Locket.
" Cotton Parasol Cover.	" Fancy Bracelet.
" Silk Veil and Scarf.	" Brooch (Love Knot).
" Silk Collar and Cuffs.	" (Marguarite).
" Silk Collar Breast Pendant.	" (Slipper).
" Cotton Collar Breast Pendant.	" (Circular).
" Cotton Collar Breast Pendant.	" (Fan).
" and Black Silk Necktie.	" (Lily).
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ANY OF THE ABOVE ORDERED THROUGH THIS "STORE" WILL BE CHARGED FOR AT COST PRICE.

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Hongkong, 24th July, 1883. [28]

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Dictionary of Mythology.	Tourist's French Pronouncing Hand Book.
Rejected Addresses by Horace and James Smith.	The New Testament and the Revised Version.
Dictionary of English Proverbs.	Elizabeth; or the Exiles of Siberia.
Lamb's Tales from Shakespeare.	Bible Truths with Shakespearian Parallels.
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Hongkong, 4th July, 1883. [560]

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W. BREWER, QUEEN'S ROAD. [203]

Hongkong, 25th July, 1883.

THE CITY OF MANILA CIGAR STORE HAS FOR SALE

CIGARS of all Brands, Imperiales, Caballeros, Vегueros, Regalias, Londres, Nuevo Habano of all makes, quality guaranteed. TOBACCO of all Brands, at moderate prices. FANCY GOODS from the Parisian markets, Meerschaum Pipes, Jewellery of Choice Designs.—San Hata, &c., &c. Commissions Executed.

JOSE M. BASA, No. 51, B. QUEEN'S ROAD, CENTRAL, Hongkong, 1st May, 1882. [343]

Intimations.

THE HALL AND HOLTZ CO-OPERATIVE COMPANY.

THE requisite Number of SHARES in the above Company having been applied for, the Company will commence operations on the First Day of September next.

Shanghai, 27th July, 1883. [612]

NOTICE.

HE CHUNG, SHIP'S PLUMBER, BLACK-SMITH, &c., &c., has REMOVED from No. 35, Queen's Road East, to No. 6, Peel Street, close to No. 120, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 4th August, 1883. [620]

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND at the rate of 6 per cent. or \$4.50 per Share, declared at the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS held THIS DAY will be Payable at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on and after TO-MORROW, TUESDAY, the 31st instant. Shareholders are requested to apply at the Office of the Company for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
P. A. DA COSTA,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 30th July, 1883. [601]

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Office of the Company, No. 14, Praya Central, on MONDAY, the 20th instant, at THREE O'CLOCK P.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and a Statement of accounts to the 30th June, 1883.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th to 20th instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
D. GILLIES,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 2nd August, 1883. [614]

A CARD.

PRIVATE BOARD AND LODGING.

SINGLE GENTLEMAN OR MARRIED COUPLES AT No. 6, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST.

Next Door to the Temperance Hall. Terms Moderate.

Hongkong, 10th July, 1883. [552]

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